Professor U.S. von Euler Chairman of the Board of Directors Nobelstiftelsen The Nobel Foundation Sturegatan 14 S-114 36 Stockholm SWEDEN

Dear Professor von Euler,

I thank you for your letter of 7 April concerning the Nobel Foundation's plans for a 75th anniversary celebration this December.

You ask for an early preliminary reply.

I regret that according to preliminary indications I will not be able to attend; but I am sure this will not be missed in what will be a brilliant occasion.

With warmest personal regards,

Joshua Lederberg Professor of Genetics

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